

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES
CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD – SPECIAL MEETING**

**Wednesday, January 20, 2010, 4:00 p.m.
Economic Sustainability Department Conference Room
1 Alhambra Plaza, Suite 617**

MEMBERS	M	A	M	J	J	A#	S	O*	N**	N--	D	J	J*-	COMMISSIONERS
José R. Garrigó	P	P	P	E	-	P	P	P	P	E	-	P	P	Mayor Donald D. Slesnick II
Bobbi Litt	P	P	P	P	-	E	P	P	P	P	-	P	P	Vice Mayor William Kerdyk, Jr.
Dr. Bernice Matalon-Roth	P	P	P	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	-	P	P	Commissioner Maria Anderson
Dr. Carol Damian	P	P	P	P	-	P	E	P	P	E	-	P	E	Commissioner Rafael “Ralph” Cabrera, Jr.
Beatriz Pereira	E	P	P	P	-	P”	P	P	P	P	-	P	P	Commissioner Wayne “Chip” Withers
Andrea Cole	P	P	P	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	-	P	P	Board Appointee
Ginger Jochem >				P	-	P	P	P	P	P	-	P	P	City Manager

A = Absent

P = Present

E = Excused

- = No Meeting

> = New Member

” = Arrived at 3:30 p.m.

* Regular Meeting + FY2008-2009 Final Reports

Regular Meeting + FY2009-2010 Grants Workshop

** Regular Meeting + FY2009-2010 Cultural Grant Applications
Review & Scoring

-- Special Grants Board Meeting

* - Special Donation Board Meeting

Staff in Attendance:

Catherine Cathers, Arts and Culture Specialist

Motion Summary:

A motion was approved to accept the donation of a replica of the statue “Madonna del Bambino” from our Sister City, Province of Pisa, Italy.

A motion was approved to recommend that the City welcome the Chinese New Year Celebration on Sunday, February 28th, 2010.

A motion was approved to recommend that the City accept the Navarro Pharmacy \$500 cash donation in sponsorship of the petting zoo on one day during the City’s 2010 Farmers Market season

Chair Dr. Matalon-Roth called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

I. Meeting Attendance:

Mr. Garrigó made a motion to excuse meeting attendance of Dr. Damian. Ms. Cole seconded the motion, which passed.

II. Donation Proposal – replica of the statue “Madonna del Bambino” from Sister City, Province of Pisa, Italy:

Ms. Cathers reviewed the proposal and description, including photographs of a replica of the statue “Madonna del Bambino” from Sister City, Province of Pisa, Italy. The piece is proposed as a donation to the City with a recommendation that it be placed in the Coral Gables Museum, along with other Sister City donations and memorabilia.

Ms. Litt made a motion to acceptance the donation of a replica of the statue “Madonna del Bambino” from our Sister City, Province of Pisa, Italy. Mr. Garrigó seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

III. Chinese New Year Celebration

In China, the official New Year 15-day celebration period begins on February 14th. The Taiwanese Consulate, located in Coral Gables, approached the City to welcome a Chinese New Year Celebration event on Sunday, February 28th, 2010 at the Biltmore Hotel. This event is open to the public.

Ms. Cole made a motion to recommend that the City welcome the Chinese New Year Celebration on Sunday, February 28th, 2010. Mr. Garrigó seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

IV. Donation proposal – contribution toward Farmers Market program

Navarro Pharmacy offered to sponsor the petting zoo children’s experience on one day during the City’s 2010 Farmer’s Market season with a \$500 cash donation. Per the City’s donation policy, the Cultural Development Board is asked to weigh on whether the proposed donation should be accepted.

Mr. Garrigó made a motion to recommend that the City accept the Navarro Pharmacy \$500 cash donation in sponsorship of the petting zoo on one day during the City’s 2010 Farmers Market season. Ms. Jochem seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

V. Additional Board business:

A brief call came into the Economic Sustainability Department from Ms. Gaubatz of the Miami Bach Society. The Miami Bach Society is hoping to hold an Argentinean photography series exhibition at the Coral Gables City Hall in conjunction with an Argentinean Choral Group that will perform in South Florida this spring. More information will be available at the next Board meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Next Meeting, Special Meeting to discuss Cultural Grant documents: Thursday, January 28, 2010, 3:00 p.m., Economic Sustainability Department Conference Room.

Next Meeting: Monday, February 8, 2010, 8:00 a.m., Economic Sustainability Department Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Cathers
Arts & Culture Specialist and Secretary to the Board
City of Coral Gables